

PATENT
514413-3669**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants : Donn *et al.*
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For : *PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF PLANTS
WITH ENHANCED GROWTH CHARACTERISTICS*
Examiner : David Fox
Group Art Unit : 1638

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**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
RESPONSE AFTER FINAL ACTION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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February 20, 2003

Date of Signature

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116
WITH PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action mailed on August 23, 2002, setting a three-month term for reply, for which a response was due on November 23, 2002.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.136(a), a three month extension of the period for reply, i.e., up to and including February 23, 2003 is requested. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$920.00 in payment therefor. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional required fee for this extension of time or any other fee occasioned by this paper, or credit any overpayment in such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

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